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1 AN ACT Relating to authorities of the Washington utilities and
2 transportation commission relative to the requirement imposed upon gas
3 and hazardous liquid pipelines under RCW 81.88.080; and amending RCW
4 81.88.080 and 42.56.330.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

6 **Sec. 1.** RCW 81.88.080 and 2000 c 191 s 7 are each amended to read
7 as follows:

8 (1) The commission shall require hazardous liquid pipeline
9 companies, and gas pipeline companies with interstate pipelines, gas
10 transmission pipelines, or gas pipelines operating over two hundred
11 fifty pounds per square inch gauge, to provide accurate maps of their
12 pipeline to specifications developed by the commission sufficient to
13 meet the needs of first responders, including installation depth
14 information when known.

15 (2) The commission shall evaluate the sufficiency of the maps and
16 consolidate the maps into a statewide geographic information system.
17 The commission shall assist local governments in obtaining hazardous
18 liquid and gas pipeline location information and maps. The maps shall
19 be made available to the one-number locator services as provided in

1 chapter 19.122 RCW. The mapping system shall be consistent with the
2 United States department of transportation national pipeline mapping
3 program.

4 (3) The mapping system shall be completed by January 1, 2006, and
5 periodically updated thereafter. The commission shall develop a plan
6 for funding the geographic information system and report its
7 recommendations to the legislature by December 15, 2000.

8 (4) The commission shall provide to first responders, state
9 agencies, and local governments data that the commission develops or
10 gathers for the maps that are consolidated into the geographic
11 information system as described in this section. The commission shall
12 provide or make available for inspection by any other entity maps or
13 map images that illustrate line pipe location as long as the map or map
14 images are of no greater detail than a scale of one to twenty-four
15 thousand.

16 (5) For purposes of this section, "first responders" means
17 firefighters and law enforcement personnel.

18 **Sec. 2.** RCW 42.56.330 and 2006 c 209 s 8 are each amended to read
19 as follows:

20 The following information relating to public utilities and
21 transportation is exempt from disclosure under this chapter:

22 (1) Records filed with the utilities and transportation commission
23 or attorney general under RCW 80.04.095 that a court has determined are
24 confidential under RCW 80.04.095;

25 (2) The residential addresses and residential telephone numbers of
26 the customers of a public utility contained in the records or lists
27 held by the public utility of which they are customers, except that
28 this information may be released to the division of child support or
29 the agency or firm providing child support enforcement for another
30 state under Title IV-D of the federal social security act, for the
31 establishment, enforcement, or modification of a support order;

32 (3) The names, residential addresses, residential telephone
33 numbers, and other individually identifiable records held by an agency
34 in relation to a vanpool, carpool, or other ride-sharing program or
35 service; however, these records may be disclosed to other persons who
36 apply for ride-matching services and who need that information in order
37 to identify potential riders or drivers with whom to share rides;

1 (4) The personally identifying information of current or former
2 participants or applicants in a paratransit or other transit service
3 operated for the benefit of persons with disabilities or elderly
4 persons;

5 (5) The personally identifying information of persons who acquire
6 and use transit passes and other fare payment media including, but not
7 limited to, stored value smart cards and magnetic strip cards, except
8 that an agency may disclose this information to a person, employer,
9 educational institution, or other entity that is responsible, in whole
10 or in part, for payment of the cost of acquiring or using a transit
11 pass or other fare payment media, or to the news media when reporting
12 on public transportation or public safety. This information may also
13 be disclosed at the agency's discretion to governmental agencies or
14 groups concerned with public transportation or public safety;

15 (6) Records of any person that belong to a public utility district
16 or a municipally owned electrical utility, unless the law enforcement
17 authority provides the public utility district or municipally owned
18 electrical utility with a written statement in which the authority
19 states that it suspects that the particular person to whom the records
20 pertain has committed a crime and the authority has a reasonable belief
21 that the records could determine or help determine whether the
22 suspicion might be true. Information obtained in violation of this
23 subsection is inadmissible in any criminal proceeding;

24 (7) Any information obtained by governmental agencies that is
25 collected by the use of a motor carrier intelligent transportation
26 system or any comparable information equipment attached to a truck,
27 tractor, or trailer; however, the information may be given to other
28 governmental agencies or the owners of the truck, tractor, or trailer
29 from which the information is obtained. As used in this subsection,
30 "motor carrier" has the same definition as provided in RCW 81.80.010;
31 ((and))

32 (8) The personally identifying information of persons who acquire
33 and use transponders or other technology to facilitate payment of
34 tolls. This information may be disclosed in aggregate form as long as
35 the data does not contain any personally identifying information. For
36 these purposes aggregate data may include the census tract of the
37 account holder as long as any individual personally identifying
38 information is not released. Personally identifying information may be

1 released to law enforcement agencies only for toll enforcement
2 purposes. Personally identifying information may be released to law
3 enforcement agencies for other purposes only if the request is
4 accompanied by a court order; and

5 (9) Data developed or gathered by the utilities and transportation
6 commission under RCW 81.88.080 and other pipeline maps or pipeline
7 geographic information data filed with the commission. However, the
8 commission or other agencies with whom the commission shares the
9 information under RCW 81.88.080 shall make available for public
10 inspection and copying any maps or map images that illustrate line pipe
11 location as long as the map or map images are of no greater detail than
12 a scale of one to twenty-four thousand.

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